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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

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SUBJECT : AFCEA Symposium

[redacted] and I recently attended the AFCEA Intelligence Symposium "Future C³I Support for Combat Operations." A Memorandum for the Record is attached and papers for most of the sessions are available from [redacted] or me. The quality of the Symposium presentation varied, but what struck us both was the quality of interaction between the intelligence, communications and vendor communities. Intelligence, however, was restricted to the Defense community, even though a number of issues were raised in areas of national concern. My personal view, admittedly a bit naive when it comes to how CIA plays, is that there is need for greater involvement in the areas of information support to military commanders and the related problems of communications and communications planning. Developments, such as [redacted] offer opportunities for joint planning and development, and the resource implications should be obvious. The "Defense Community" is pouring mega-bucks into C³I; and the DCI should not be without a major vote and guiding hand, nor CIA without an opportunity to capitalize on Defense R&D.

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